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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, at line 6, with the following paragraph:

"This application is a continuation of U.S. application 09/033,440, filed March 2, 1998, now United States Patent No. 6,117,073, issued on September 12, 2000."

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 1.

Please add the following new claims.

2. (New) A computerized system for managing airborne transportation of a patient, comprising:

a first module comprising instructions for dispatching an aircraft carrying an airborne emergency transport crew to a patient site;